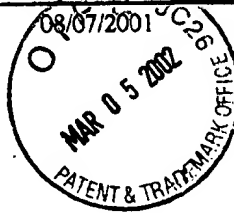


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Notice of Missing Parts, dated August 21, 2001. Enclosed please find:

- (1) Declarations (3 pages);
- (2) Substitute drawings (8 pages);
- (3) A check for \$1,570, covering \$130 surcharge fee, and \$1,440 for a 4-month extension of time to respond (please see below); and
- (4) Copy of Notice of Missing parts.

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Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks under 35 C.F.R. 1.136 (a) to extend the time for response to the Notice of Missing Parts, dated Aug. 21, 2001 in the above referenced patent application, for four months from Oct. 21, 2001 to Feb. 21, 2002.

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